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1. STATEMENT REPORTED REF A APPARENTLY COMES FROM GARBLED ACCOUNT OF OCT 31 MEETING OF UPPER HOUSE CABINET AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND PROBABLY REFERS TO 1960 STATEMENT BY TREATIES BUREAU DIRECTOR TAKAHASHI.

2. MOST OF OCT 31 SESSION CONSUMED BY JCP ATTEMPTS TO FORCE FONOFF EXPLANATION FOR DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PRESENT FONOFF POSITION CONCERNING NUCLEAR TRANSIT AND PRIOR CONSULTATIONS AND THE POSITION TAKEN EARLIER. NAITO ISAO (JCP) NOTED POSITION TAKEN BY KIMURA (REF B) AND OTHER FONOFF SPOKESMEN RECENTLY THAT TRANSIT (TSUKO) OF NUCLEAR ARMED VESSEL WOULD REQUIRE PRIOR CONSULTATIONS. HE NOTED ALSO THAT DURING 1960 CONSIDERATION OF SECURITY TREATY TAKAHASHI TOLD DIET THAT TRANSIT OF VESSELS CARRYING NUCLEAR WEAPONS WOULD CONSTITUTE INNOCENT PASSAGE AND WOULD NOT BE SUBJECT TO PRIOR CONSULTATIONS. HE NOTED 1968 STATEMENT BY FOREIGN MIN MIKI THAT TRANSIT (TSUKO) WAS NOT INTRODUCTION (MOCHIKOMU). NAITO DEMANDED EXPLANATION OF WHEN GOJ POSITION
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HAD CHANGED. HE ALSO DEMANDED A UNIFIED VIEW FROM GOVERNMENT

AND CONFIRMATION THAT THE USG ACCEPTED THIS VIEW.

3. FONOFF SECURITY DIV TERADA TOLD EMBOFF THAT FONOFF EMBARRASSED BY DAITO'S LINE AND IS CONSIDERING HOW TO RESPOND TO DEMAND FOR UNIFIED POSITION. TERADA SAID THAT FONOFF HAD AVOIDED OUTRIGHT COMMITMENT TO PRODUCE UNIFIED POSITION BUT THAT IT WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO DO SO. TERADA NOTED THAT IN 1969 THEN AMERICAN AFFAIRS DIRECTOR TOGO TOLD DIET THAT TRANSIT OF NUCLEAR ARMED B-52 THROUGH JAPANESE AIR SPACE OR TRANSIT OF NUCLEAR ARMED POLARIS SUBMARINE THROUGH JAPANESE WATERS WOULD REQUIRE PRIOR CONSULTATIONS FROM THE STANDPOINT OF INTRODUCTION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. TERADA SAID THAT HE EXPECTED ANY UNIFIED POSITION TO CONFIRM THIS LINE.

4. WE WILL BE DISCUSSING THIS FURTHER IN FONOFF AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON GOJ POSITION AS IT DEVELOPS.
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